

REMARKS:

Applicant provisionally elects Species I (Claims 1-6 and 9-18) pursuant to the restriction requirement mailed January 11, 2005.

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement as mooted by the amendment. The Examiner argues that the process of species II can be practiced by a materially different apparatus, and states that "instead of having an elongate quick member, the apparatus can have a short guide member." Claim 7 has been amended to make it more consonant with Species I.

Wherefore, the restriction requirement is obviated and it is respectfully requested that all claims be examined.

If Applicant can be of any further assistance or provide any other information in the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (248) 364-2100.

Respectfully submitted,

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